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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Shair *et al.*  
Serial No.: 10/091,240  
Filed: March 5, 2002  
For: System for Detecting Reporter Gene Expression

Examiner: Tran, My Chau T.  
Art Unit: 1639

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment and consideration of the following Remarks. The deadline for responding to the Office Action was December 13, 2004. Applicant thus submits that the present Response is timely submitted on Friday, December 10, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this Response.

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